At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 6:00 p.m. on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021, at the Cumberland County Circuit Courtroom:

Present:

Brian Stanley, District 1, Chairman

Eurika Tyree, District 3, Vice-Chairman

Ron Tavernier, District 2 Gene Brooks, District 4

Robert Saunders, Jr., District 5

Don Unmussig, County Administrator

Jennifer Crews, Finance Director Brian Butler, County Attorney

Stephany Johnson, Zoning Administrator

Absent:

None

#### 1. Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

Stephany Johnson, called the roll.

## 3. Adjourn into Closed Meeting

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Tyree and carried by the following vote, the Board entered into closed meeting pursuant to the Virginia Code Section set forth below to discuss the subject identified:

 Pursuant to VA Code § 2.2-3711.A.7:Consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the litigating posture of the public body;  Pursuant to VA Code § 2.2-3711.A.8: Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. Subject: Two potential litigation actions

Vote:

Mr. Stanley - aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye

Mrs. Tyree – aye

Mr. Brooks – aye

Mr. Saunders – aye

## 4. Reconvene in Open Meeting

The Board returned to regular meeting on a motion by Supervisor Tavernier:

A motion was made by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Tavernier, and adopted by the following vote:

Mr. Stanley – aye
Mr. Tavernier – aye
Mrs. Tyree – aye
Mr. Brooks – aye
Mr. Saunders - aye

that the following Certification of a Closed Meeting be adopted in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County has convened a closed session on this date pursuant to an affirmation recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County hereby certifies that, to the best of

each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed session to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County; and (iii) no action was taken in closed session.

## 5. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Chairman.

## 6. Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier and seconded by Supervisor Tyree, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Vote:

Mr. Stanley – aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye

Mrs. Tyree – aye

Mr. Brooks - aye

Mr. Saunders – aye

# 7. State and Local Departments/Agencies

a. Cumberland County Public Schools

Dr. Jones gave the following update to the Board:

- Honored school nutrition team, teachers and school nurses for their designated appreciation weeks.
- Announced the 2021 Valedictorian-Angela Finchum and Heavenly Gass.
- Recognized Juam Olmos who was named the Valedictorian of CODE RVA-Computer Science High School that is made of students from over 10 school divisions
- Our Governor School students presented their Senior Symposium Projects online.
- Seniors presented their Senior Projects last week. Welcomed Dr. Griffin back as a panelist.

- Seven middle school students and Mr. Longenecker participated in the Commonwealth of VA Black History Historical Marker Contest. Our students' entry was one of five selected out of 100 entries. A historical marker in honor of Samuel Bolling will be placed in Cumberland County Born into slavery in 1819, Bolling later became a successful entrepreneur and was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates as a member of the Readjuster Party, a biracial coalition that accomplished significant reforms in the 1880s.
- Secretary of Education Atif Qarni, Deputy Secretary of Education, and Supt. of Public Instruction visited CCES and CMS in honor of teacher appreciation week.
- Senior Penny Dorsey had one poem published in the American Library of Poetry Anthology
- Several athletes received all district awards
- Currently, playing spring sports
- Graduation will be happening this Friday, May 14, 2021
- Congratulations to the Cumberland High School Envirothon
  Team for coming in second place in all categories in the
  2021 Area V Envirothon this year. Team will be advancing
  to the Virginia Dominion Energy Envirothon Competition.
- Students Gabriella Baker, Brianna Carter, Dawn Helton, Julianna Sustaita, & Alexandra Tavernier passed the Virginia Nurse Aide State Boards. Thanks to Mrs. Winslow for her instruction, guidance, and support!
- CHS's Sarah Jackson placed 11th overall in the State FFA Tractor Driving Contest and had a top five score in the Two-Wheel Wagon part of the competition and she won a first place ribbon with her dairy cow.
- FFA had their plant sale last weekend in the greenhouse--Mr. Tavernier, we now have a shade on the greenhouse that was purchased with CTE federal funds.
- We received books for kindergarten students from Quickstart Start Tennis and from the generosity of Colonial Pipeline.
- Received a CTE Innovation Grant to upgrade our equipment in building trades

- Still receiving registrations for Pre-Kg and KG.
- Cumberland Pharmacy will be having a vaccination clinic for students on Thursday, May 20, 2021, from 2:15 pm until 4:15 pm in the middle school gym.

#### b. VDOT

VDOT representative, Steven Snell, provided the Board the following report:

Need to update the County's Six Year Plan this year, possibly at the next Board meeting in June.

Public meeting for the construction plans of the Cartersville roundabout on June  $22^{nd}$ , 2021, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, will be virtual. Also wanted to clarify some misinformation about the roundabout, it will not impact the Hamilton School.

Supervisor Stanley commented that there was another accident on route 45 and Cartersville Extension, and would like for VDOT to keep that area on their list, a four-way stop at that intersection would be good.

Mr. Snell recommended that the County do a Smart Scale project for that area to make improvements needed.

## c. Cumberland Public Library

Mrs. Lisa Davis, Librarian, provided the Board with the following report:

• The library is open fully with regular hours. Several groups that are now meeting in the library, according to our established guidelines of 7 or less in the public meeting room and larger groups in the open area of the library. Also allowing patrons to use computers or devices in the library for periods of time over one hour as long as they complete a health form with a temperature check.

- The library has purchased a lot of new materials. This is primarily children's fiction, non-fiction and graphic novels.
- Notary services are available at the library.
- Our free movie this month will be on Saturday, May 22, in the back parking lot of the library, will be showing "Hook".
- The 2021 Summer Reading Program will begin on June 7. The theme this year is "Tails and Tales," and focuses on animals.
- The library recently received a grant that will focus on identifying local, area, state and federal resources for Cumberland County residents who need assistance.

#### d. Cumberland Fire and EMS

Mr. Tom Perry provided the Board with the following report:

- Beginning May 1<sup>st,</sup> the Cumberland Fire and EMS began providing coverage to the entire County up to the town limits of Farmville.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> County staffed medic crew began May 1<sup>st</sup>, covering 12-hour shifts, 7 days a week.
- Wanted to recognize Chief Atkins and Mr. Pimple for their life saving actions at a vehicle accident in front of the Randolph Fire house
- Countywide the Fire and EMS has responded to 30 calls since May 1st.

# 8. <u>Public Hearing Notices/Set Public Hearings</u>

N/A

## 9. Public Hearings

a. CA 21-05 Proposed Solar Facility Code Amendment

Planning Director, Stephany Johnson reviewed the proposed amendments to the current code regarding, decommissioning, bond requirements and notification requirements. The amendments were requested and approved by the Planning Commission.

The Chairman opened the public hearing. With no citizens signed up to speak, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Supervisors Tavernier and Stanley both commented that code amendments have covered everything.

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Brooks, the Board approved the CA 21-05 Proposed Solar Facility Code Amendment:

Vote:

Mr. Stanley – aye

Mrs. Tyree – aye

Mr. Saunders - aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye

Mr. Brooks - aye

# 10. County Administrator Report

- a. Consent Agenda
  - 1) Approval of Bills
  - 2) Approval of Minutes April 13, 2021

On a motion by Supervisor Stanley and seconded by Supervisor Tavernier, the Board approved the consent agenda as presented:

Vote:

Mr. Stanley – aye

Mrs. Tyree – aye

Mr. Saunders – aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye

Mr. Brooks - aye

#### b. VDOT Road Abandonment

County Administrator, Don Unmussig advised the Board that he was contacted by VDOT in regards to abandonment of a segment of secondary route 632 from .14 miles east of the intersection of secondary route 652 to its former intersection with state route 60, a distance of .19 miles. And per the Code of Virginia the Board has to make a motion of intent to abandon to proceed with the process.

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Saunders and carried unanimously, the Board approved the motion of intent to abandon a segment of secondary route 632 from .14 miles east of the intersection of secondary route 652 to its former intersection with state route 60, a distance of .19 miles

Vote:

Mr. Stanley - aye

Mrs. Tyree – aye

Mr. Saunders – aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye

Mr. Brooks – aye

# 11. Finance Director's Report

a. Monthly budget Report

There was no discussion regarding this item.

b. Budget Transfers and supplements for current FYE21:

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders, and seconded by Supervisor Tavernier, the Board approved the budget transfers and supplements for current FYE21:

Vote:

Mr. Stanley - aye

Mrs. Tyree - aye

Mr. Saunders – aye

Mr. Tavernier – aye

Mr. Brooks - aye

c. Request for appropriation - \$139,422.97 from School Superintendent:

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, the Board approved the request for appropriation of \$139,422.97 from the School Superintendent:

Vote:

Mr. Stanley – aye

Mr. Tavernier - aye

Mrs. Tyree – aye

Mr. Brooks - aye

Mr. Saunders - aye

## 12. Planning Director's Report

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There was no discussion regarding this item

## 13. County Attorney's Report

N/A

# 14. Old Business

N/A

# 15. New Business

N/A

# 16. Public Comments

Betty Myers commented that she was glad to see the reconstruction of the EMS; the EDA should be working on getting a grocery store in the County; and that was going to be a show featuring plastics on a television show tonight at 10pm.

Maria Johnson commented that she had submitted a petition to create an ordinance to limit area where firearms can be discharged in certain areas.

Michelle West signed up to speak but declined to comment.

#### 17. Board Member Comments

Supervisor Tavernier commented to that he would like to acknowledge and congratulate Betty Myers who was selected to sit on the Solid Waste Management Board.

## 18. Additional Information

- a) Treasurer's Report
- b) DMV Report
- c) 2020 Annual Business License Report
- d) Monthly Building Inspections Report
- e) Approved Planning Commission meeting minutes N/A
- f) Approved EDA meeting minutes N/A
- g) Cumberland 4-H monthly update N/A
- h) Cumberland Community Cares/Delma's Food Pantry/Cumberland Path monthly update N/A

## 19. Adjourn -

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree and seconded by Supervisor Tavernier, the Board adjourned the meeting until the next meeting of the Board to be held at 7:00 p.m. on June 8, 2021 in the Board meeting Room located at 1 Courthouse Circle, Cumberland, Virginia.

Don Unmussig, County Administrator